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Dear Sirs:

In compliance with the Election/Restriction Requirement mailed April 23, 2008, wherein the Examiner divided the pending claims 1-221 into five (5) Groups:

Applicants hereby elect Group 1: Claims 21-28, and 33-34 without traverse.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21 of this paper.